

Wednesday Dec 10 1828

Dear Friend

It is indeed a long time since I sat down to address you - so long that I can hardly reckon up the years whether they are five or six. During this period I have constantly followed you in your eventful history, or in tales of the Pioneer Herald, & often troubled for you in your dangers & rejoiced at your prosperous circumstances. Heaven be praised that you live & that of your wife has been spared, & that you have been able to accomplish so much for Christ & the Church. May you both be long spared to keep many & dear I parts from you I have been getting in the Ministry in given into (Wad) Morrell, dismissed to from the Ministry on account of weak Sust & on New Con-

rester with Middlebury College.
During this period I have been
for the most part exceedingly
occupied, having the usual am-
ount of teaching & much that
has been encouraging. I have
lost some dear friends, & live depen-
-ded from others. But there is a
honor when friends meet,
whether while on earth they live
under the same roof or sea of space
between them. I had a letter
from Brother Bush the first
that I have had in a long time.
He is a gospel Minister in
Liberia. He says "I fear that
I am growing old". I suspect
that none of us feel quite so
young as when we are up to prom-
ised chapel start & that Bro
the Bush has not grown old
as white poster then you and
why. Can you not visit this

country before long. I believe that
you might by so doing contribute
very materially to the advancement
of the Mi'kmaq cause? The
Mi'kmaq spirit is wonderfully incre-
asing but it ought to encou-
raged and fated.

I have an unex-
pected opportunity of doing this
by Rev Mr Robertson with
whom you will be acquainted as a
man of acquaintance or a per-
son of labour in the service of our
Lord. If it is not too much
to expect I should be very much
gratified by a letter from you.
My heart is the same toward
you as ever though my situation
is by now but constantly in
worsening. Don't entirely give up
your old Correspondent. I should
write a little longer but after
nine o'clock in the evening is
my only opportunity. My affection
of course goes to Mrs Bird in who
a few weeks past

William G. Fowler

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